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USING NEAR INFRARED LASER RADIATION

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 and Section 1.99 are copies of the U. S. Patents listed in the attached list of prior art cited by applicant. It is felt that these prior art patents are material to examination of the above-identified application. It is therefore requested that these references be considered in examination of the application.

Patent No. 6,383,176 issued to Connors et al.; Patent No. 5,817,089 issued to Tankovich et al; and Patent No. 6,120,497 issued to Anderson et al. are discussed in the application as filed.

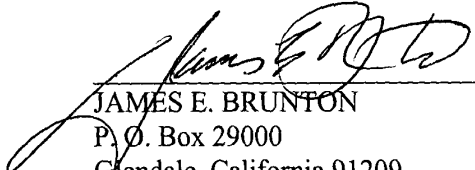
Patent No. 6,536,094 issued to Reuter discloses an apparatus for lowering the temperature of skin on a patient during treatment applying electromagnetic energy to the skin comprising a window of a first thermally conductive material through which electromagnetic energy can pass for placement against the epidermis of the skin. A reservoir of coolant is spaced



from an edge of the window. A non-flowing second thermally conductive material connects the window and the reservoir to transfer heat from the window to the coolant in the reservoir.

While the prior art identified in the foregoing paragraphs is believed pertinent to the examination of the present application, the novel design of the device of the present invention is believed different from and distinguishable over the prior art disclosed herein.

Respectfully submitted,




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